



## BY THE KING.

*A Proclamation against the spoiling and loosing of Armes by the Souldiers of His Majesties Army, for the keeping of them fixt, and bringing all Armes hereafter into His Majesties Magazines.*



HEREAS We have not received that satisfaction We expected (Notwithstanding Our many Proclamations and orders made for the Government of Our Army, and particularly against the loosing, selling away, and spoiling of Our Armes, by the Common-Souldiers, and for the keeping them fixt) But on the Contrary finding those abuses and neglects still to Continue, and encrease; We are therefore once more enforced, and doe hereby straitly require and Command all Colonells, Lieutenant-Colonells, Serjeant-Majors, Captains, and other Officers of Our Army, whom it may concerne, forthwith, or within four daies after the publication hereof, to returne to Us, Our Councell of Warre, or to the Serjeant-Major-Generall of Our Army, a true accompt of the number and quantity of Armes in each Company and Regiment of Our Army attested by the Colonell, Lieutenant-Colonell, Serjeant-Major, or Captain of each Company, and if any Armes, shall hence forward be found unfixt, by the negligence of the Souldier, the reparation thereof shall be made good out of his or their Entertainments, and this course We will constantly to be continued and put in practice, the care and oversight whereof to be committed to the respective Quartermaster of each Regiment (or some other fit person appointed by the Colonell) whom We command, once in Fourteen daies, to take a view of all the Armes of the Regiment, and to see Our Commands therein fully obeyed; and for the more speedy execution thereof, Our will is, that each Colonell make Choyce of two able Gunsmiths to be imployed therein, on whom We intend to settle an Allowance fitting for the same. And to the end the losse of Armes may not be so frequent (to the prejudice of Our service) as formerly, Our farther pleasure is, that each Captain upon the returne of the Certificate of the number & quantity of the Armes of his company, stand Charged to Us by Indenture (in the office of Our Ordinance) for such numbers certified, which Armes are to be made good out of his Entertainment, if hereafter they shall be wilfully or negligently made away by His Souldiers. Lastly, Our Will and Command is, That all Armes bought, or provided by Us, or by any Person for Our Service, as likewise all Armes borrowed in any Counties hereafter, or taken from the Rebels, or persons disaffected to Our Service, be first brought into Our Magazines, and from thence, as We shall direct, be distributed, and given out for Our service. To Our Pleasure herein declared, We Require full and speedy obedience to be given by all Officers and Souldiers of Our Army, and that it may be the more fully put in execution, Our farther Pleasure & Command is, That this be read within foure daies after the publication, at the head of every Regiment and Company, that so all Our Officers and Souldiers, whom it may concerne, may take notice of it, and observe the same, as they and every of them will avoyd Our high displeasure for their neglect, of any the least particular herein mentioned. *Given at Our Court at OXFORD, this Tenth day of March, in the Eighteenth yeare of Our Raigne.*

God Save the KING.